

FISCAL NOTE

HB 3143 - SB 3536

February 21, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a child's attendance at his or her permanency hearing. Requires the juvenile court to review and ratify an independent living plan for children 16 years of age or older. Requires the court ensure a child 17 years of age or older is informed and knowledgeable of the post-custody services available and attends a permanency hearing three months prior to the release from custody to review the child's plan to transition to independent living.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue – Not Significant

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant

Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Any cost to the Department of Children's Services to meet the additional requirements of the bill will not be significant and can be accommodated within the existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- A small increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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